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Caltrans

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District: 1 - Eureka

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

New "STOP" Sign For 12th Street In Fortuna

Caltrans will be installing a new "STOP" sign in Fortuna on 12th Street at the intersection of Route 101 southbound on and off ramps, and Riverwalk Drive, for southbound 12th Street motorists. The sign is scheduled to be installed on Monday, May 14, 2007, weather permitting. All motorists approaching the intersection will be required to stop once the work is complete. A portable changeable message sign will be temporarily placed on 12th Street informing drivers of the change.

The City of Fortuna, County of Humboldt, and Caltrans are responding to safety concerns at this intersection. Caltrans performed a safety study of the intersection and found that for the 5 year period ending December 31, 2005 there were 13 collisions, 8 which were broadside. Installing this stop sign should significantly reduce the number and severity of collisions at this intersection.

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